

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1-12 (cancelled)

13. (currently amended) The A cylinder head gasket comprising:
a body, being generally flat and having a first surface, a second surface,
and at least one cylinder hole therethrough;
an encapsulant generally coating the first surface, the second surface and a
perimeter of the at least one cylinder hole; and
a light colored pigment intermixed with the encapsulant to thereby create a
light color encapsulant that has a brightness above 75 on a CIE L*A*B color and
brightness rating system;
said gasket of claim 1 further including an armor assembled to the body adjacent
to the at least one cylinder held hole; and a generally translucent topcoat generally
coating the encapsulant and the armor.

14-30 (cancelled)